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AMONG THE SOUTHERN CAMPS

The South sends greetings to the other sections of C.D.A. and hopes that all have had as busy and happy a summer as they have had.

Keystone Camp states emphatically that this is the best of the fourteen seasons. Almost half the camp came from Florida, the rest from North Carolina, Georgia, South Carolina, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana and Kentucky. There have been several changes in program. They have given up "setting-up" before breakfast and have "flag raising" only. Music, crafts, nature lore were very popular and on visitor's day the Nature House was the show place of camp. Fencing, a rather unusual activity for camps, has been added for the older girls.

Another capacity enrollment is reported by Eagle's Nest Camp. Their program has succeeded better than ever — just living in the woods as the main thing, with organized activities secondary. What fun exploring, berry picking, tree climbing, wading up newly discovered streams, lying in the hammocks and reading. Riding, swimming, tennis, and hiking continue to be the favorite directed sports.

Camp Sequoyah is mighty proud, as well it might be, of its craft work. "Every boy in camp has made some article of craftwork. Among the crafts offered are leathercraft, metal work, basketry, knotted cord work, Indian headdress and costume making, wood carving, moccasin making, rope making, beadwork, bookbinding, and mold casting. In leathercraft, particularly, a large number of useful articles are made: bill folds, cigarette cases, spectacle cases, etc. are made from calfskin and tooled. Knife sheaths, belts, camera cases, book covers, blotter pad covers and quivers are made from strap leather, and moccasins, ladies' bags, pouches, and vests are made from split cowhide and horsehide." Sequoyah's evening programs are interesting. The Council Ring, meeting three nights a week, is set in midst of towering hemlocks and beside a babbling mountain stream. Here, the boys, after passing certain requirements, are initiated into the various clans of the tribe.

Camp Greystone celebrated its tenth year as the best. An excellent staff of trained counselors led Greystone campers through their favorite sports. All-day

horseback trips were one of the features. Water sports were very prominent as Lake Summit offers many miles of water courses. Campers come from all sections of the United States. Each and everyone soon caught the fine Greystone spirit and soon came to love the camp in its beautiful setting in a little valley near the top of the Alleghany Mountains.

Skyland Camp is proud of their staff of fifteen college-bred counselors and report a happy and successful summer spent in swimming, riding, craft work, and dancing, both social and interpretive. No school work is given at Skyland Camp.

Camp Alloh-Wes-Tee tells us of some delightful outings. "One day we had State Forester J. S. Holmes with us for a field trip which was fascinating and greatly enjoyed. Then a stereopticon lecture, pictured in color. The girls have done beautiful nature study work and their booklets preparatory to Mr. Holmes' coming were very interesting and beautiful." Archery and nature work has been stressed. Camp Alloh-Wes-Tee boasts a small orchestra which was much enjoyed by all. Several

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CAMPFIRE STORIES INTO ACTION

By A. E. HAMILTON

I sit in my cabin before a typewriter. Clink, clink, clink the sound of hammering steel on soft iron comes in through the window. Bill is forging a knife. The metallic clang has been in the air nearly all the morning, and part of the afternoon. At dinner time Bill showed me an amorphous bit of hammered iron, saying, "I'm going to have a knife, and make it a case and hang it on the belt I made." He might have added that he cut the buckle for his belt from copper, the initials on it from silver. I wondered, as he showed me his work, how much our campfire stories had to do with the efflorescence of making things by hand which characterizes this summer.

Beginning again with Burr's fascinating *Around the Fire* stories, I have gone on through a good part of Jensen's cycle of *The Long Journey* and all of Burr's *Tales of Telal*. I have dwelt long and emphatically on those vivid pictures of primitive boys who had to make things with their own hands out of the stuff which they must themselves wrest from nature. I have kept harping on the string of difference between our lot and that of those

boys. Perhaps I have been a trifle sarcastic about the boys of today who sometimes complain because life is hard. As though anything were really hard for these fellows who are rolled to school on rubber tires while they sit on plush cushions; who are fed soft food piping hot from electric ovens, or deliciously cool from electric refrigerators; who sleep on soft mattresses at night and tumble on soft gym mats at recess. At any rate, I have been picturing to them boys who had to grow hard or die; who had to learn to make things of their own or die; who survived and became our ancestors because they grew hard and used their brains to do things with those hard hands.

We have followed up my story sermonizing with opportunities to work in leather, wood, copper, iron and even silver. The things the boys have made have been put into immediate use, not saved immaculate for an exhibition at the close of camp. Belts, knife cases, axe sheaths, kodak covers, quivers, bows, arrows, archery sleeves, paddles, boats — and now Bill is hammering out a knife. Well, we cannot go back to chipping flint, or burning out a

tree trunk for a canoe, or killing wolves for the guts to make bow strings. We must find the nearest civilized equivalent, and I look forward now to a forge where harder work can be done next summer than has been the lot of this season. I see no reason why a boy who wants a knife should not be given the opportunity to make one, instead of credit on his camp account to have one ordered from the store. And so through a whole range of things outside the radius of clothing and prime necessities. For otherwise, of what avail all these heroic stories? To call up dim echoes of the emotions our ancestors experienced, to stimulate imagination to the point of wanting to go and do likewise — and stop there is doing violence to the creative urge of boyhood. In fact our whole program should be so integrated that stimulus will find as close an opportunity for reaction as possible. I wonder that it has taken so long for us to come to this conclusion and to see the co-relationship between thought and action, and the golden opportunities which camp offers to carry over the spirit of camp fire stories into its realization in creative labor!

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EDITORIALS

On the desk of the editor-in-chief are a number of newspaper clippings sent in about camps. Glaring headlines are given such as "Quarantined for Camp Following Death of Girl," "Boy at Camp Dies Here," "25 Girls Lost Clothing in Fire at Camp," "Boys Camp on Rocks, Owner Reported Missing," "Quarantine Girls' Camp for Child Paralysis," "Stricken Camp Girls get N. Y. Physicians." Publicity of such a character makes camp directors shudder as they think of the impression given the reading public when news of such a type is given publicity. The public does not discriminate between well-managed camps and carelessly conducted camps, and consequently, the entire camping movement receives a tremendous setback.

Casualties and disturbances happen in the best regulated homes as well as in the best regulated camps. The mystery surrounding infantile paralysis has baffled the most expert medical skill and knowledge and stomach troubles come at times when least expected. Epidemics never sound a warning. It is a relief, however, that no reports have been received of typhoid and other dreaded fevers breaking out in camps. The trouble has been confined to diseases that are not due to neglect of health and sanitary conditions.

The Camp Directors Association has always given its loyal support to State Boards of Health and through its own Committee on Health, headed by Dr. J. Wilfred Allen, has made available to its members the very latest information on health, hygiene and sanitation. Every well-managed camp has its graduate nurse and consulting physician, and many camps have a third-year medical student in charge of the health of the camp. We believe that eternal vigilance is the price of health in a summer camp.

When closing the camp it is advisable to give all buildings, cabins, kitchen, drains, refrigerators, toilets, garbage cans and waste disposal places a thorough cleansing to eradicate germs, eggs, and all possibility of a "hold over" of germs which, if not taken care of, will be waiting for you next summer and ready to do business. Burn all waste. Take no chances.

We quote the following from the Health Standards for summer camps issued by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health:

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Sectional committees on health should become acquainted with the health regulations of the states in which the camps of their members are located and a digest made of the findings of each section so that a statement could be prepared by national chairman of the committee on health and sent broadcast. Such a statement would have national significance.

What shall be done with the excellent reports made by the sections at the Atlantic City meeting of the C.D.A.? True they have been published in *Camping* and the report of the New York Section in pamphlet form, but is there a danger of having the reports filed and forgotten. Have they been really digested by the camp directors! Much work, and many hours of thought and research were given by the committees in the preparation of these reports and it would be a calamity if they were junked.

Would it not be a good plan to make subject material the basis of discussion at the meetings of the sections this coming season. The results of such discussions could be tabulated and sent to the national office for editing, in order that working standards for the association and its members may be established. Send in your ideas regarding the best use to make of the reports.

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THE EDITOR GOES VISITING

"Let's go visiting some camps," said the editor to his family one beautiful morning in July. "Let's!" replied the family, so the ancient Essex was polished and properly fueled and we started toward the beautiful Connecticut hills. The first camp where we stopped to say "howdy" was Massapeack on Gardner Lake, the well-managed camp of the Central Y.M.C.A. of Brooklyn, N. Y. Director E. P. Roberts cordially greeted us and with pardonable pride pointed out to us the features of the camp as he escorted the party from building to building and from place to place. Starting with one building in 1913, the camp has grown to a community of 165 boys occupying fifteen buildings and twenty house tents.

We met here our good friend, Silas Berry, of Brooklyn N. Y., naturalist and worker in wood. Under his skillful guidance the campers were making all kinds of useful articles from red cedar which abounds on the property. The fragrance of the cedar added to the joy of doing. Paper knives, coat hangers, paper weights and other knick-knacks were being produced and will serve to remember the happy days spent at camp.

A remarkable spirit of altruism pervades the camp. Mr. Roberts told the editor how the boys each season take up an offering for the purpose of sending camping literature to the Y.M.C.A.'s of other countries. Thus far the gospel of camping has been spread by this means to China, Japan, France, New Zealand, England, Denmark, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Norway, Mexico, Germany and Manila, P. I. He also told of the way the boys became interested in a cripple who was unfortunate in having his automobile burned. By voluntary gifts they secured enough money to replace the auto. The boys clothed and provided food for a deaf and dumb man for several years, and when he died they paid part of the funeral expenses. A poor boy from Brooklyn was the guest of the boys in camp for two weeks. "Others" seemed to be the motive of the campers.

After a good dinner at Massapeack, we journeyed along the highway and the byway until we reached the Milo Light Camps located on the same lake. Greeted by a most efficient camp secretary in the reception room of a well-appointed office, we registered our names in the camp guest book and then quartered in Garner Lake Lodge about a mile and a half from the camp where parents are housed, in a wonderful old house owned by the camp.

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Walking from camp to camp and observing the happy groups at basketry, weaving, camp craft, organized games, rehearsing for a play, and other activities, we were impressed with the creative capacity of the camp program and the enthusiasm of both campers and counselors. Many of the campers have a record of from five to eight seasons at the camps.

The Coördinating Council of Nature Activities used the camps during the month of June for their training conference, under the direction of Dr. Bertha Chapman Cady. With 1,000 acres of woods, forests and fields at their disposal,

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The night we were in camp the younger girls entertained the older girls with a program of short plays, songs, and pantomimes. At the same hour the younger boys and the older boys were having glorious camp fires in their own camps. On Saturday evenings the older groups come together for a social affair.

Weaving is a specialty in the girls' camps and the weaving cabin contains a large variety of looms. Mrs. L. H. Walden, who is in charge, is an enthusiastic crafter and her love for the creation of beautiful things is contagious.

We were loath to leave the camps and shall always remember the cordial hospitality of Mr. Light. Our schedule called for two more camps that day, so we chugged our way to Camp Haxen, the State boys' camp of the Connecticut Y.M.C.A. located at Chester. F. A. Stanley, the director, was associated with the editor some years ago at Camp Becket, therefore, we look upon Hazen as one of our offsprings. Naturally we were glad to greet Stanley and the Hazenites. It was Governor's Day, consequently the boys were all dressed up for the occasion, and the air was charged with excitement.

After dinner Governor Trumbull arrived informally and without military escort and democratically mingled with the campers. Incidentally our two daughters, Ruth (aged 9), Dorothy (aged 6) had the thrill of shaking hands with a real live governor for the first time. Oh joy! The governor gave the boys a real honest-to-goodness he-man talk that went over big, and the campers cheered to the echo. Would that more governors visited camps and see what is being accomplished in the producing "Better Citizenship through Better Camping."

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MAKING EFFECTIVE THE CODE OF ETHICS

The following report of the Pennsylvania Section is compiled from suggestions received from the members at a meeting of the section held in Philadelphia, January 11, 1929. The report was read by E. W. Sipple at the Atlantic City meeting.

Unfortunately the recognition of virtue in, and the general approval of worth and wisdom of, an abstract code is not sufficient incentive to guard against frequent infringement.

The Code of Ethics approved by our Association offers an unquestionably sound moral guide, which if followed would tend to raise the profession of camping to a much higher plane.

How to make this code more effective

is indeed a big question and became the theme for discussion at the January meeting of the Pennsylvania Section. There follows a summary of the various views presented together with extracts and quotations from the papers submitted. Much that is good, but not necessarily pertinent to the subject under discussion, has been omitted.

Mrs. Ryan, speaking first, suggested that perhaps the most important factor in making the C.D.A. code more effective lies in building up the membership of the Association. The larger the organization the greater the spirit of coöperation and the more respected its mandates.

Mrs. McIntire brought out the thought

that we must bring the C.D.A. more in the public eye, make it more generally known. It will then mean more to its members and to others. It was also suggested that explanatory literature of the character and aims of the Association be widely distributed, particularly among families having children. Mrs. McIntire cited the medical profession as having developed a code of ethics that might be emulated. Every physician affiliates with a medical society; why not every camp director with the C.D.A.? An executive board for hearing infringements of the code was suggested but more of this later.

Mr. Milo Light presents the following:

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Held at Battery Park Hotel, Asheville, N.C., August 14, 1929

The sixth annual meeting of the Southern Appalachian Section was held August 14, 1929, at Battery Park Hotel, Asheville N. C. Miss Ethel J. McCoy, the president, called the meeting to order at 10 A.M. with a few words of greeting and a gracious invitation to the non-member camps to take part in the discussions.

Roll call showed that the following forty camps were represented: Greystone, Junaluska for Girls, Keystone, Nakanawa, Parry-dise, Rockbrook, Sequoyah, Takeda, Yonahlessee, Beech Haven, Dellwood, Mondamin, Tawasentha, Carolina, Chimney Rock, French Broad, Sapphire, Toxaway, Transylvania, Eagle's Nest, Laurel Falls, Mountain Cabin, Dixie for Boys, Dixie for Girls, Highland Lake, Osceola, Chickasaw, Junaluska for Boys, Black Bear, Pinnacle, Skyland, Nikwasi, Taukeetah, Lake Lure, Alpine, Camp Mount Mitchell, Kallamuchee, Cheenda, Lake Pocohontas and Camp Cherokee.

After the report of the secretary and treasurer was read and approved, Dr. Joseph R. Sevier was called upon to conduct a typical morning assembly in camp. Stating the impossibility of reproducing a morning camp devotional without the camp environment and atmosphere, Dr. Sevier read from I Thessalonians, Chapter 5, stressing particularly the phrases "Rejoice evermore" and "Quench not the Spirit," and pointing out the importance in camp life of putting across all our work, however serious, with a smile, getting the joy out of living, praying always for guidance and being careful not to quench the spirit.

Discussion of the topic "What I would like to have membership in the Camp Directors Association mean to me" was led by Major Henry Raines. Dr. J. M. McConnell, the first speaker, stated that membership should give us help in conducting our camps, to make them as nearly perfect as possible; should define for us what is an ideal camp; should stand for certain standards, so that in a member camp we might expect to find a program of well-organized activities, an intellectual atmosphere, social activities, high ideals of conduct, satisfactory equipment and facilities for carrying out the program, definite standards in regard to the personnel of counselors; should provide a community of interest which would enable us to compete in such a way as to avoid any hard feeling with other camps, in a spirit of fellowship and helpfulness.

Col. L. L. Rice then stated certain causes which he believes are keeping membership in the Association from being the vital factor in our work which it should be: (1) Too selfish absorption in our own affairs to give time or thought to the Association. (2) This is practically a close corporation among the North Carolina camps and not really a Southern Appalachian

Section. (3) Smugness leading to indifference. (4) No constructive program has been carried out through the past years. (5) We have the wrong time and place of meeting. A two-day program is essential if we are to get down to actual results.

Other points suggested as the meaning of membership were: wider national viewpoint; a way of evaluating our own camps; wider publicity; fresh ideas; how to deal with parent problems; departmental conferences; how to eliminate short term campers; prevention of unfair competition; advice on counselor problems, salaries, hours, qualifications, responsibilities, privileges, private automobiles, junior counselors; financial advice; advertising advice; legal advice.

Methods suggested for accomplishing the above were as follows: more frequent meetings; camp visitations; local conference groups during the winter; monthly letters or bulletins; attendance at the national convention; reading camping publications, also contribute news items for them; camp exhibits; grading of camps; longer period in office and the election of those to offices who can give the time for real constructive work; annual meeting in some large southern city, not Asheville, where the camp idea is already sold, but some other city where the value and importance of camping can be brought to attention of a large group of people who are not yet convinced.

Major Raines made a stirring and vigorous speech, in which he stated "The reason we do not function is because we have no power. No one has to conform to the rules we make or the standards we set up. This can be accomplished only when the camps of the southern states work in conjunction with the boards of health. In this way only can a worthwhile organization be built up, which will enable us to say whether or not a camp can be established or continued."

"A plan for project work during the winter" was next presented to the Association by Miss McCoy. A great deal of interest was expressed, and after considerable discussion of places to meet and topic for study, the following committee was appointed to work out a definite grouping of directors in centers where they have their winter residence, and make a report on the same at the afternoon session: Col. Rice, Mr. Bernard, Col. Woodward.

The Nominating Committee was appointed as follows: Mrs. Henry Carrier, Major Raines and Dr. A. P. Kephart.

A Health Standards Committee, composed of Dr. Bennett and Miss Fannie Holt, was appointed to meet during the noon recess with Mr. Miller and Mr. Floyd, the representatives of the North Carolina State Board of Health.

The meeting was adjourned for luncheon.

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"God of the Thunderfire," by Mr. Carl G. Wonnberger, dramatic counselor, was the Viking drama written to fit Lanakila traditions. This drama "attempts in its modest way to usher in a new period of Viking song and story for Lanakila, when a better understanding of the things for which they are striving, its boys may grasp and may learn to express those things which they admire. 'God of the Thunderfire' was an all-Lanakila product, boys, counselors and director having cooperated to make it possible."

Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Gulick are leaving for Hawaiian Islands this month by way of the Canadian Pacific to San Francisco. "This fact suggested the plan of a Round the World Cruise for the closing banquet. Aloha is very much interested in international goodwill and is proud to have had two girls from India, two from Japan, and one from Brazil as campers for the summer and two English guests and one German guest for several days. Aloha Camp closed on August 28, after a most successful season. Good health prevailed all summer.

BOOK REVIEWS

Jocelyn of the Forts. BY GERTRUDE CROWNFIELD. 282 pages. Published by E. P. Dutton and Company. New York City.

Garnishing a delightful tale of heroism and romance with a historic setting, Miss Crownfield draws, in her new book, a fine pen-point sketch of New York at the time of the French and Indian War.

Jocelyn Armstrong, a young girl of beauty and good sense, proves to be a real daughter of the forts. Her father, a captain in the British Colonial Army, is ordered to leave his station at Fort Frederick, located safely in the heart of Albany, and to travel north to Fort William Henry. This fort is situated in an isolated spot, close to Canada, and subject to attack from both the warring Indians and from the army of General Montcalm.

Jocelyn refuses an invitation to remain safely in Albany with her friend, Catalina Schuyler. She considers it her duty, as the daughter of a soldier, to accompany her parents. The story of her loyalty, her experiences in captivity, and her daring, is absorbing and unique. There is a young ranger hero, who displays great courage, and eventually wins Jocelyn. A villainous spy and a scheming Dutch trader have their share in the intrigue.

The book has a quaint, old-fashioned flavor given it by the use of colonial language in the narrative parts, and the fine bits of description. There is interwoven with the theme a blending of colonial customs, interesting personages, and picturesque redskins living in the deeply wooded forests.

M. K.

Mushrooms of Field and Wood. BY MARGARET MCKENNY. John Day Co., N.Y. Illustrated with half tones, line drawings and color plates.

A good practical book written in plain easy terms, adaptable to the reader not trained in botanical distinctions.

The key to the Mushrooms is particularly good and the pen line drawings are very well executed.

The book is well illustrated with over one hundred photographs and contains clear descriptions and distinctions for the Amanitas.

The book is worth larger and better color illustrations and we might wish that the ranges of the various species were given.

This should prove a most useful book for every camp library. In fact, it is doubtful if there is any other mushroom book that can serve the camp as well.

PROFESSOR H. C. BELYEA
FAY WELCH

The Story of Mr. Punch. BY OCTAVE FEUILLET. Translated from the French by J. Harris Gable. Illustrated by Berta and Elmer Hader. E. P. Dutton. \$2.50.

At last! The mystery of the life of Punch of "Punch and Judy" fame is laid bare. In this extraordinary tale, "truthful

throughout," we follow the adventures of the humorous and lovable little humpback from his miraculous birth to his entrance in the theatre.

Children will chuckle with delight over Punch's climb into court favor, his enmity with the Grand Majordomo, his diplomacy with the ambassador "who doubtless had reasons of his own for not wishing to be skinned," his pranks and his narrow escape from hanging. After he leaves the court we follow with breathless attention Punch's adventures and rejoice with him as he escapes from prison on the tail of the Devil, which is a "method of escape hitherto unknown."

The book is illustrated with black and white drawings which cleverly depict the characters and incidents in the story.

The Story of Mr. Punch is a book all children will love and the adult who hasn't lost his flair for imaginative tales will find himself absorbed from beginning to end.

B. L.

The Siamese Cat. BY ELIZABETH MORSE. Illustrated by Ruth Seymour. E. P. Dutton & Co., Inc. \$1.75.

Cat's whiskers! What youngster of six to ten years wouldn't enjoy reading about David Laurie and the Siamese Cat! How the little American boy rescues Queen Chatra and receives as a reward a magic topee which enables him to talk to all the animals.

David and the Siamese Cat search for the hidden treasure that is so carefully guarded by the sleeping Giant. When you read, boys and girls, how they find the treasure and what it is you'll say "Why! I never thought of that!"

B. L.

Italian Fairy Tales. BY CAPUANA. Translated by Dorothy Emmrich. Illustrated by Margaret Freeman. E. P. Dutton. \$2.50.

Tales to delight the imagination, drawings to delight the eye. *Italian Fairy Tales* bring to the child a new series of characters to be loved and remembered through the ages. Smutty Froglet, Chickpeatina, Serpentina, Mousekin, and the Mad Wolf are a few of the new friends found here. These stories by Capuana are cleverly translated by Dorothy Emmrich and embody all the requisites of the good fairy tale plus an unusual touch of humor. Fairies, witches, kings, queens, princesses, and kinglets obligingly and surprisingly change size and form at a moment's notice. Read the tales and enjoy the good fortunes of the princesses, all of whom are beautiful enough to dazzle the eyes, and the handsome kinglets though "we simpletons have nothing to do with the whole story."

B. L.

The Adventures of Galley Jack. BY VIOLET MAXWELL AND HELEN HILL. Harper Brothers. (The Round Table Series.) \$1.00.

What a delightful little volume! Galley Jack is a white fluffy kitten who has many adventures both on land and at sea.

Cut Throat Mike is another cat, who comes to Galley Jack and relates to him the wonderful travels that he has had while at sea, the many enticing things that have kept him on the jump here and there.

Galley Jack listens with eagerness and awaits his time to make his get-away from his mistress who runs a young ladies' school.

Galley Jack finally makes his exit from the school and finds himself a stowaway on a ship called the *Susan P. Meserrey*. He has many delightful adventures while on board and when he returns to the shore he makes friends with the Brownies who help him with his little friends in their many difficulties.

Some of his adventures take him to Scotland and far-away lands. He always has something interesting to relate to his little friends on his return and they wait eagerly for him.

The illustrations are so real and so vivid that they almost depict the story they tell themselves.

There are three more volumes of this delightful series; *Don*, by Zane Grey; *The Princess with the Pea Green Nose*, by E. H. Knatchbull Hugessen; and *Little Lucy's Wonderful Globe*.

M. K.

THE HOMECOMING

This very week my boy'll be home,
My little boy of eight.

Just three more days for me alone —
The train must not be late.

Good camps are splendid for the young,

Especially for boys —
Develop souls and bodies both,
Intensify their joys.

Assured of this, all summer long,
'Pon letters sparse I've fed.
But, oh, I've missed him thru the day,
Dreamed nightly in my bed.

I've visioned him, so straight and slim,
So sturdily and so brown;
His laughing eyes, unruly hair,
His socks that will slip down.

Substance there for all that's good,
Dependable and fine.
An honest, faithful man he'll make,
This loyal son of mine.

Some say that mother's love can mar,
Can stunt, destroy, indeed.
I truly pray to wisely guide,
To just stand by in need.

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NOTES

Since September 5, 1928, one hundred and eight men and women interested in becoming members of this organization have either applied for admission to membership or their names have been sent in by friends who are already members.

One request for membership literature came from a director of camps for girls located in France.

NEWS FROM THE CAMP WORLD

The Guelofian Camp at Truro-on-the-Sea, Cape Cod, Massachusetts, which has been operated for a number of years as a girls' camp, later adding a lodge for parents and adults wishing to visit, has this year opened a boys' camp beyond the lodge, all being under the general supervision of Lady Katherine Gueloifian. In the girls' camp she is assisted by able counselors: Lady Beulah, instructor of rhythmic dancing; Mrs. Geoffrey Gilbert, head counselor; Miss Cheerful Kappes, assistant counselor and Miss Estelle Sterner, executive secretary. The boys' camp is known as the "Marines on-the-Sea," whose Captain is Ray H. Pierson, Ph.B., B.D.

Camp Summer-in-the-Berkshires, closed its season with a unique program. Honor awards were given to boys who had qualified, addresses made, and then the closing camp fire was lighted by a ball of fire being slid down a wire from the topmost point of a near-by tree to the fire, bursting into flames. After the bonfire, the entire camp went to the George W. Hannum Memorial Chapel, where they stood in silence with heads bowed in honor of the man who was such a great friend to the campers. Following this short but impressive ceremony, a huge circle was made around the flag pole on the campus, camp songs and yells were given and the season closed with taps.

Goldenrod Sunday was celebrated by Camp Sherman, near Springfield, Mass. This ceremony was given in the afternoon and witnessed by more than five hundred persons. Four long chains of goldenrod were carried by the boys of the four camp units as they marched to the Recreation Hall for the service. Burlingame Shurr, the naturalist, was in charge. He explained the significance of the goldenrod as symbolic of the thousands of good deeds performed by real scouts. At the close of the ceremony, the four chains were joined into one chain over two hundred feet long, signifying the unity of spirit of the whole camp and the loyalty and friendship for one another. Then the boys singing America, carried the long chain to the waterfront, where the flowers were placed in boats and carried out to the center of the lake and scattered on the water.

Fifty thousand scouts from 42 nations, including 1,200 American boys, camped at Arrows Park, England, just across the Mersey River from Liverpool, beginning July 31 and continued for ten days. It was the Jambouree of the Boy Scouts from every part of the world. It must have been an inspiring sight.

"What the Modern Camp Does for Young America" is the title of a two-page story and a page of illustrations in the photogravure section of the Albany Knickerbocker Press, describing Camp Becket-in-the-Berkshires. The newspaper sent its own staff photographers and feature writers to the camp with the result that the whole camping movement is given

publicity of the right sort. It is the largest amount of free space ever given in one issue of a daily city newspaper.

Quanset Cape Cod Sailing Camp for Girls is full to capacity as is also its new Nimicutt Camp for Juniors. The latter has attractive new bungalows among the pines near the edge of the bluff just above the bay. Its new dining room gives a quiet restful place for meals away from the older girls. All camp interests are covered here. An excellent French teacher is getting fine results by natural methods of teaching, including games, songs, etc. Impromptu dramatization from the best of tales is carried on every day. An experienced nurse and kindergartner supervises the whole. These children have made unusual progress in swimming, floating, and diving. Sails for the older ones in the large boat *Tioga*, preliminary training in sailboat management, tennis, riding and canoeing are among their activities. Nature walks with the camp nature leader and their own daily nature quests teach them to observe and to think.

Quanset's fleet of fourteen sailing boats, including five racing "Baybirds" is kept busy every sailing hour. In the shop the usual twenty-four and thirty-four inch boats are being built. Enthusiasm runs high over tennis and basketball, races, crabbing parties up river, hobo hikes and moonlight sails.

Quanset leaders believe that any girl who is held entirely to a regular program and routine in her home and especially in her camp where there should be so many opportunities, is cut off from the chance of adventure, from the experiences which remain all her life as bright spots in her youth, and she misses much of what she should gain in camp.

Miss M. Mercer Kendig of the *Red Book Magazine* says, "Yesterday I visited the New York University Camp at Palisades Interstate Park. Here Professor Nash, one of the committee of award in the *Red Book Magazine's* Camp Literature Contest, is conducting the Graduate Summer Session of the School of Physical Education.

"Over two hundred physical training executives, heads of departments in colleges and schools, are doing graduate work there and incidentally having a good time in delightful surroundings under truly campy conditions.

"Miss Ruby Jolieff, who has the supervision of all the camps in Palisades Park, told me there were ninety-nine camps in the park this year. Yet, as you drive along some of the roads, you would think you had the whole 10,000 acres to yourself.

"At the moment, one of our staff is visiting a group of our camps in Pennsylvania. Later she will spend two weeks in upper New England visiting some new members of our camp family and a few others by invitation.

"As a whole, this seems an excellent came enrollment year. Few camps have reported vacancies."

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PERSONALS

A paragraph of a letter sent to Laura I. Mattoon,

"By the way, we are making extensive use of the Bibliography which Kehonka has furnished to campdom through Gibson's Monthly Library on Camping, Vol. X. It is a great aid to our entire counselor group and all camps should be deeply indebted to you."

HELEN COALE WORTHINGTON

RABBI WISE ON CAMPS

"One of the greatest benefits the children derive from camp is the benefit of being deparented. Very few parents are open-minded enough to believe that a substitute for a parent can be found. The director becomes in camp more than a parent.

"The school life of America is prescribed by law — but you can experiment where schools cannot, as churches cannot, as colleges cannot. You can experiment with real freedom.

"I don't know how you feel about religious services in your camps but whatever it is, it must be the real thing — not convention but what you really believe."

Rabbi Stephen Wise



THE BIRCHES Courtesy of Camp Becket

THE EDITOR GOES A VISITING

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the late E. H. Hazen is adequate and the personnel of trained college men, makes the camp so attractive that the enrollment is always at capacity height.

A century run through the beautiful Litchfield Hills and a climb of 1,000 feet in two miles brought us to the camp of Dr. and Mrs. J. Wilfred Allen, Camp Po-ne-mah. What a glorious view from the campus, it seems as if you were on top of the world. Three lakes are seen from the campus. What wonderful hosts! What a happy family of campers! We reached camp about sunset time and saw the girls dressed in their rich green costumes, the new style of shorts and shirts, gathered in groups, singing, playing and just fellow-whipping. It was a picture we shall always remember.

The girls occupy cabins which are named after Indian tribes although three cabins were named Kehonka, Mirimici and Wah-tonah in honor of the three camps visited by Dr. and Mrs. Allen. System is Dr.

Allen's middle name, and if space permitted, we could tell of many things in the camp that are unique, such as the case of drawers which he calls "system" containing almost everything under the sun, catalogued and labeled. The camp is divided into Buckaneers and Pioneers and the entire program is built around these two groups. Woodcraft plays an important part in the camp life and the Council Circle is a most colorful place with its seats painted with Indian designs. The altar of stone occupies the center of the campus. Here is where the girls keep their vigil and where the campers gather for their morning exercises and ceremonials.

Each morning after breakfast, chapel is conducted by Dr. Allen and the editor had the great privilege of giving the message of the morning, a privilege given to only one other person, Ernest Thompson Seton, during the fifteen seasons of the camp. Every other morning a review of current events is given by Dr. Allen.

A delightful social feature of the camp is the custom of having two of the coun-

selors sit at the Allen table during each meal, thus enabling the counselors to break bread with the Allens and have a little social visit.

The buildings are given Indian names. For instance, the main building is named Waai Tipi meaning "council house." The girls call it, Tipi. This building has a great open fireplace, piano, and the walls are covered with achievement shields of the girls. The shows are given here and rainy day sports are conducted. Nanistina means "I make it" and is the name given to the craft shop. Das-Sa-Bek is "metal worker" where the girls make beautiful objects in silver and other metals. Katchewanuck is the infirmary where Miss Kaye ("K") Walker, who has been with the Allens for eight seasons, is always on duty. It is a cheerful place full of color and good cheer.

After spending two happy days in a comfortable guest cabin, we were loath to say goodbye to our charming and gracious hosts, but as the trip had been hastily

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A NOTICE

A notice found nailed to a tree in one of the parks of Seville, Spain. Copied from the book *Spanish Sunshine*, by Elinor Elsner.

"To the Wayfarer —
Ye who pass by and would raise your hand
against me
Hearken ere you harm me!
I am the heat of your hearth on the cold
winter nights.
The friendly shade screening you from the
summer sun.
My fruits are refreshing draughts.
Quenching your thirst as you journey on,
I am the beam that holds your house,
The board of your table,
The bed on which you lie,
And the timber that builds your boat,
I am the handle of your hoe,
The door of your homestead,
The wood of your cradle,
And the shell of your coffin.
I am the bread of kindness and the flower
of beauty.
Ye who pass by, listen to my prayer; harm
me not."

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AFTERNOON SESSION

The meeting reconvened at 2 P.M., Miss McCoy presiding. Mr. H. E. Miller, chief engineer of the N. C. State Board of Health, was introduced. He spoke of the summer camp inspection which he and his associates have been carrying on this summer. Approval by the State Board of Health, he explained, is based upon compliance with minimum essentials for safety in regard to water supply, milk supply, medical certificates of all servants handling food, and sewage disposal. Mr. Miller stated that from the standpoint of the Board of Health the approval system is the only one which at present they can apply with justice. An element of competition enters into a grading or rating system, and he feels that an official agent of the State should not become involved in any competition. He further stated that the state of North Carolina recognizes the summer camping industry as a very desirable one to be advanced, and they welcome the opportunity of meeting and discussing the requirements with the Camp Directors Association, so that the plan of approval can be materially improved. Wishing to exercise a fair and reasonable policy, the camps visited this summer have been advised what to do to become approved camps. Next year all camps will be expected to conform with the state requirements.

Following Mr. Miller's talk, Dr. Bennett reported for the Health Standards Committee that after conference with the Board of Health representatives, they recommend that the approval or disapproval system be continued for the present instead of attempting a grading system.

Miss McCoy announced that this committee, with the addition of Mr. Reese Combs, is to be continued during the winter, to confer with the N. C. Board of Health and work out a satisfactory basis for approval.

A motion was made by Judge Harvey L. Parry and seconded by Col. Woodward that the Legal Committee be instructed to draw up a bill to be presented to the Legislature of North Carolina, looking to the licensing of camps, the report of this committee to be made to the Executive Committee. After discussion the motion was carried.

Col. Rice, chairman of the Committee on Winter Projects, reported as follows:

Atlanta, Ga.

Chairman, Mr. A. Jameson

Topic for Study, How to Secure 100% Membership in C.D.A.

Asheville, N. C.

Chairman, Mrs. Henry Carrier

Topic, Camp Standards

Birmingham, Ala.

Chairman to be announced

Topic, Ethical Standards

Greensboro, N. C.

Chairman, Dr. Kephart

Topic, Legal and Financial Problems

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Knoxville, Tenn.

Chairman, Mr. Gore

Topic, Problems of Enrollment

Nashville, Tenn.

Chairman to be announced

Topic, Publicity

Jacksonville, Fla.

Chairman, Mr. D. Meade Bernard

Topic, Counselor Standards

Col. Rice added that these groups will be expected to make a report on their findings, at the next annual meeting, on the subjects assigned, but that they may study any additional subjects they may desire.

Following the acceptance of this report, a heated discussion took place in regard to imposing additional standards for membership in this section not required by the national organization. As a result, the secretary was instructed to write to the National Secretary for permission to adopt such standards as seem necessary to our local conditions. There was a great difference of opinion expressed on the question, "Shall we build up our membership first and then impose standards or set up our standards first and then seek members?" The plan was finally adopted of having the Standards Committee make a thorough study of this subject and report at the next annual meeting the requirements which they feel every camp should meet in order to be a member of the Southern Appalachian Section of Camp Directors, if this group is to be recognized as representing the highest ideals and practice of camping in the southern states. The secretary was instructed to notify all camps in the section that certain standards will be proposed at the next annual meeting, to which all member camps will be required to conform, if adopted, and that, in the meantime, an invitation be extended to every camp not already a member to join the C.D.A. under the present requirements for membership.

Col. Rice then moved that the annual meeting of the Southern Appalachian Section be held hereafter as a two-day meeting in a central city in the south. This motion having been seconded and carried, Atlanta, Ga. was decided upon for the 1930 meeting, to be held in the early spring, a combined conference and exhibit. The Atlanta group of directors, with Col. Woodward as chairman, will be in charge of arrangements for this meeting.

Major Raines reported for the Nominating Committee the nominees for officers for 1930 as follows:

Miss Ethel J. McCoy, *President*

Col. L. L. Rice, *Vice President*

Mrs. Harvey L. Parry, *Secretary*

Mr. D. Meade Bernard, *Treasurer*

There being no other nominations, upon motion the secretary was directed to cast the vote of the convention for these nominees, which was done and they were duly declared elected.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

MRS. HARVEY L. PARRY
Secretary

SUMMER CAMPS END

During the last few days of this month close to 50,000 sun-tanned youngsters who have been enrolled in the boy and girl camps of New England are returning to their homes. Few persons except transportation company officials realize the extent of this business, for the camps are tucked away on remote parts of some lake and in some secluded spot away from the main highways and railroads. Yet this business runs into the millions of dollars annually; college students piece out their incomes, scores of farmers sell their peas, beans, chickens and milk at far greater profit than if they shipped their produce to Boston; sporting goods stores specialize in equipment and magazines and newspapers carry the advertising.

The problem of transportation is a tremendous one. The Boston & Maine railroad is running fifteen extra trains, supplementing from thirty-five to fifty extra sections, and aggregating nearly 400 additional Pullman cars and coaches.

Publicity bureaus, chambers of commerce and railroad officials report that the summer nearing its end has been the most successful these camps have had. In New Hampshire there were 175 distinct camps, with 18,000 youngsters; 14,000 boys and girls were in Maine's 225 camps. Massachusetts had about 8,000 in 125 camps, and Vermont had about 10,000 in a similar number.

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musical plays, sometimes given in the open, were loved by the girls.

A summer at Camp Taukeetah is full of fun and interest. There are organized classes in swimming, dancing, tennis, and horseback riding. Hiking, nature study, dramatics, and orchestra work are also offered. The camp newspaper, *The Taukeetah Tattler* is published each week. The camp orchestra gives a public performance each season. The climax of the work in dancing is the dance drama given at the end of the month. Tournaments and meets add to the interest of the camp program which is based on the point system. An all-round program is encouraged, and it has been the camp record that each camper has always been eager to enter into every activity. Awards are made at the annual banquet, and at this time the loving cup is presented to the girl who has been voted as best representative of camp spirit. Camp spirit at Camp Taukeetah is interpreted as the will to do, and the power to accomplish. Evening entertainments and special trips add variety to the program.

Chimney Rock camp made many improvements during the past winter which benefited the activities of the entire camp. The dredging of the bay and the erection of canoe slips, slides and other equipment made the water front admirably suited for meets, regattas and regular swimming uses. A large stable of horses was maintained and the boys got many a thrill out of rides through the mountain trails. Indian lore, woodcraft, leather and shop work was part of the camp schedule. The National Rifle Association had a very active branch in camp. Regular athletic activities were offered. An intertribal treasure hunt was staged between the four tribes in camp, the Shawnees, the Cherokees, the Chickasaws, and the Choctaws. The older boys enjoyed an interesting trip to the famous Smoky Mountain region.

Camp Sapphire reports a banner year. "The camp equipment composes a large gymnasium with equipment for moving pictures, boxing and gymnastics, a manual training shop, ball diamond with grass infield, track and a grass field for weight events, rifle range, archery range, tennis courts, one of the largest private lakes in western North Carolina, a small five-hole golf course, eighteen canoes and boats, several floats, a camp lodge, and twenty-nine shacks, besides the many other necessities of a camp." Camp Sapphire is specially proud of its staff of counselors. Boys were divided into four groups according to age. Camp activities ran smoothly and "taking it all in all, Camp Sapphire seems to have a well-rounded program of activity and a fine bunch of counselors and boys to enjoy it."

The forty-five boys at Camp Pinnacle have been living in new permanent buildings, which include a large dining hall

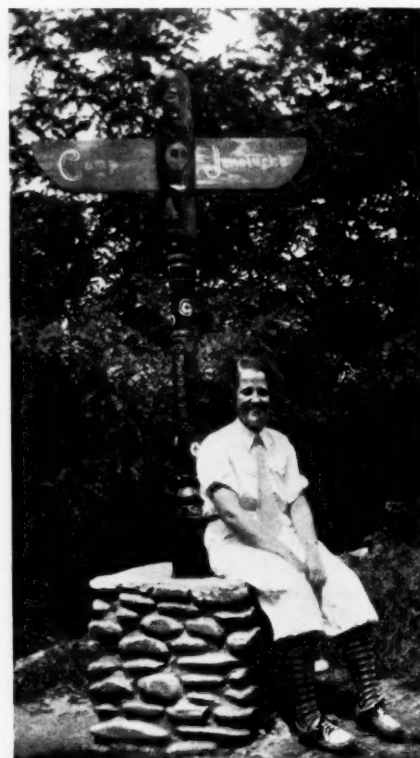
and kitchen, eight sleeping cabins, which accommodate eight persons each. There is also a large recreation hall and gymnasium. Camp Pinnacle boys are chiefly interested in swimming. One unusual feature is the sixty-foot slide, and wooden sled with wheels. The boys have entered into intercamp meets and there has been great competition in swimming, basketball and baseball.

Webb Camp reports the 1929 season as one of the best in good spirit and clean sportsmanship. This camp combined both study and recreation. A regular summer school was operated during the morning hours. There has been active competition in athletics; work in Red Cross Life Saving and in the National Junior Rifle Corps proving specially popular. The annual hike to Bone Cave was reported as "a great time."

Besides the regular camp program at Beech Haven Camp, one day of each week is a free day and a trip is planned for all those who want to go. Linville Falls, Beech Mountain, Blowing Rock, Asheville, and Dutch Creek Falls were visited with great enthusiasm. Special services and camp fire suppers make Sundays days that will long be remembered. Athletic contests stimulate interests in the sports but sportsmanship counts more than winning the game. Saturday nights are Hut Nights and there are always clever and original ideas carried out in the parties. Life at Camp Beech Haven is "packed full of fun."

Camp Junaluska had an exploring trip through the Great Smokies into the Cherokee Indian Reservation. "On this trip only seasoned hikers who had been passed by the camp doctor as physically fit were permitted to go. A covered wagon accompanied the hikers to carry the bed rolls and provisions. Their trail, which was followed only by a contour map, led through Soco Gap, over the mountains by the falls through wild and primitive country, and great was the amazement of the Indians when the campers appeared in their territory coming from that direction. Both native mountaineers and Indians declared that no wagon had crossed the trail in thirty years, and that no woman had ever traversed it." Camp dramatics had an important place on the Junaluska program. Most of the plays are original, and the stage setting is designed, drawn and built by the members of the dramatic department. "Among other things staged this year has been a real waterfall, with real water trickling over the rocks, an Egyptian setting with life-size palm trees and pyramids towering to the ceiling, and a Dutch village complete with windmill, tulip gardens, and costumes brought straight from Holland by the Junaluska Travel Camp." "Perhaps the most unique gift any camp has ever had and one which will ever be valued at Junaluska, is a totem pole in which every design on it is symbolic of life, activities, and ideals of Camp Junaluska. This pole represents the loving labor of many months, and was designed, carved and painted by Miss Lillie

Williams Jackson, our woodcraft counselor." Regular camp activities are also enjoyed at Camp Junaluska.



Miss Lillie Williams Jackson, who designed and carved this totem pole. Its emblems are symbolic of Camp Junaluska's activities.

All campers at Laurel Falls Camp ride every day. The woodcraft and trips department is one of the strongest at camp. A horseback trip to the top of Rabun Bald where the riders camped out on the very tip top of the mountain and took care of their own horses made them feel like real pioneers. There has also been interesting trips to the Indian Reservation. The individual development of the campers is stressed. Each girl is given definite responsibility for some part of camp life, the camp "customs" are made by the girls and counselor representatives, and many opportunities given the girls to think things through for themselves and to use their own judgment.

Camp Nakanawa reports a happy and busy summer. The season was not marred by a single serious accident or illness. "One of the results of the season worthy of record is the following: of eighty-five overweight girls forty-six lost poundage, the extreme being twenty-nine pounds, the minimum five; of one hundred seventy-five underweight girls—most of them being a few pounds under average—one hundred fifty gained poundage, the average gain being eight pounds, the maximum fifteen."

Girls at Camp Yonahlossee have been enjoying movies once a week with their own machine. New cabins have been

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ROMANTIC TRADITIONS

We true Americans feel a keen sense of appreciation of Indian romance, and Camp Ko-wee-ta for Girls, which is in the Western Section of the Pine Mountain Region of Georgia near Fairburn, is very fortunate in being located on an estate which was occupied by the Creek Tribe of Indians, and is just teeming with romantic Indian traditions.

The famous half-breed, Chief McIntosh, after having bargained with the whites on February 12, 1825 and ceded the holdings of his tribe at Indian Springs, Georgia to the state, even against the wishes of many of his tribe, started on the pilgrimage across the Chattahoochee River to Alabama. The leader of the Creek Tribe was searching for a suitable camping place, perhaps for a season, in Campbell County near the old county seat, Campbellton, where in the historic Indian tomb now reposes the dust of the Indian Princess Anawquo "the former proprietor of soil." A little mineral spring attracted his attention because it ran out of the side of a hill and even though very clear and odorless, heavy mineral deposits were left on the rocks and stray twigs in the spring branch path.

True to the extreme superstition of Indians this "mysterious water" must mean something. Here they encamped and very soon it was discovered that members of the tribe who suffered from various ailments recovered and took on new life, so Chief McIntosh named this "healing water." He, recognizing the curative properties of the water, gave out this information by an official proclamation to his immediate tribe and to the tribes in the surrounding country. It is an established fact well authenticated by tradition that Indians of other tribes made pilgrimages from the adjoining states to this mineral spring to obtain the benefit of its water by drinking it and by bathing in it.

After a season the Creek Tribe continued its journey on toward Alabama and on the banks of the historic Chattahoochee River Chief McIntosh was murdered by members of his own tribe.

This famous spring property was later "homesteaded" and passed through only two hands before Mr. C. Q. Trimble of College Park, Georgia, purchased it in 1909. He bought this property not to speculate on or to commercialize but just because he appreciated the history connected with it, valued the water for his own family's health and really admired the very beautiful and picturesque setting of it all. In March 1928, Mr. Trimble deeded this valuable spring property to his two daughters, Miss Pauline Trimble, organizer and for five years director of Camp Takeda, Brenau College's summer camp for girls in Gainesville, Georgia and Miss Christine Trimble, a counselor in camp with her sister.

Thus the "dream camp" was begin-

ning to materialize and with very little money, much courage, ambition and the confidence of our family we began by walking across a cotton patch and saying, "let's make the driveway here." With heavy riding breeches and boots we worked with the hired help clearing, measuring distances, locating the spots for the buildings with reference to health, comfort, views and also the waterworks system. We hobnobbed with carpenters, laborers, and brokers about telephone poles, wiring, plumbing and camp equipment. Even our brothers and father wondered just how we were going to put it across as they were very busy people and hardly had time to drive out and see what we were doing except short visits every week or two. Having organized and built Camp Takeda at Gainesville, Georgia, I felt, as I told Dr. Pierce, president of Brenau College and owner of Camp Takeda, when resigning my position there, "received my experience at Camp Takeda's expense" and of course I felt a little surer footed after those five years.

Well we did it! Just how, still remains a mystery to us, for June 25, 1928, only three months later, we opened Camp Ko-wee-ta with an enrollment of twenty girls and a staff of eight counselors, a camp family of 28, was truly an encouraging start for us even though we had comfortable equipment for a few more we really did not expect that many.

"Camp Ko-wee-ta." Many ask about our name Ko-wee-ta "faithful little one" and here is the story: "The pretty little Indian maiden, Ko-wee-ta, the favorite of her tribe, worshipped the 'pine tree' and at the dawn of each day she could be seen leaving her wigwam and lightly tripping up to the hilltop where her favorite shrine grew. It was at the foot of the pine where she stood and lifted her head and heart and prayed for the inspiration and guidance which carried her through each day: then gaily running down the hill the music of her merry voice gave signal that the day had started well.

"The green pines, unchanging as the seasons went by, were her real friends offering consolation in discouragements and disappointments and likewise sharing the joys and happiness of her romantic life.

"Here at the foot of Ko-wee-ta's favorite 'pine tree' she sat on a thick carpet of fragrant pine needles at twilight and dreamed of her warrior-hero who would come and claim her for his bride. 'Far in the distance a towering pine on the top of a hill offered shelter and protection to the maid and man when they joined hand in hand.'"

PAULINE TRIMBLE
Director Camp Ko-wee-ta
Fairburn, Georgia

A COUNSELORS' CODE OF ETHICS

Set up by Elizabeth Rait in the Camp Leadership Course given at Mills College, July 1929

COOPERATE

1. Be Loyal to the Director and to the Rules of Camp
 - (a) Learn what your conduct is to be in camp and obey the rules.

Ex. Do not leave camp without permission
Do not have packages of sweets from home
 - (b) Support the policies of the director for her camp.
 - (c) Understand what the director desires accomplished in your project, knowing absolutely what your job is to be—then fulfill it.
 - (d) Carry through the camp program, do not resign unexpectedly without a reason which is imperative.
 - (e) Be willing to participate in the camp program of daily activities.
 - (f) Be willing to work with and aid other counselors.

CHARACTER

2. Live Truly in Relationship with the Children in Camp
 - (a) Be a good example to the girls in every way.
 - (b) Do not show favoritism.
 - (c) Work with the girls, be a good mixer.

FAIRNESS

3. Deal Openly with Other Directors and Camps
 - (a) If seeking another position, let your director know it.
 - (b) Do not sell ideas from your former camp but be willing to give information and advice.
 - (c) Do not criticize a camp or director unfairly.
 - (d) When changing camps, do not take campers with you.
 - (e) Do not speak unfairly of other counselors in hopes of getting yourself or a friend the position.

HONESTY

4. Be Frank and Honest with Parents and Other People
 - (a) Do not misrepresent your camp.
 - (b) Do not urge parents to send children to camp under false pretenses.
 - (c) Do not exaggerate good points.
 - (d) Do not "run down" a camp—it may be a personal opinion only.
 - (e) Do not, on the other hand, encourage camps whose policies and standards are not acceptable.
5. Uphold the Principles and Standards of the National Camp Directors Association

CAMP MERRIE-WOODE ABOLISHES CAMP HONORS

One important forward step for Merrie-Woode is the abolishment *by the campers* of our former system of honors and awards, for we who have watched camp through the years and feel responsible for what happens in the souls of our youngsters, as well as to their bodies, feel that this is truly a long step forward in the important business of character building. Heretofore, at the end of the summer every camper voted on a list of girls whom they thought had, in varying degrees, lived up to the camp ideal, with true consideration for others as a basis of behavior. You can readily see that with this system the girl who had leadership and pervasive personality received recognition, but the girl with greater handicap in the beginning, but whose effort was often greater, was sometimes completely overlooked. Then too, the quiet girl who doesn't lead in the group, but who has been meticulous in her attitude to the details of camp life, has sometimes been overlooked. In other words, we, as a camp group, cannot be infallible judges of character development. Another danger in the old system was that instead of building a habit of behavior for the love of doing the right thing, there was a danger of building a habit of helpfulness and consideration, not *for the sake of being that kind of a person*, but as a means to an honor or award at the end of the summer. There is a danger here of building selfishness, rather than a moral motive. Even to behave as one should for the sake of approval, is a false incentive, and so we have agreed to be just as good campers as we can be, in order that Merrie-Woode may be as far as possible an ideal community and that each camper may, as far as we can lead her, find satisfaction in right behavior, with no thought of any award awaiting her.

We are throwing down the gauntlet and registering our belief that living based on consideration for others is its own reward. There is a wholesome spirit of freedom pervading camp, for we believe that the right of choice develops the individual, but all of us who are older marvel at the response of youth when given a chance to be its best.

MRS. JONATHAN C. DAY

HONORS AND AWARDS AT SEBAGO CLUBS

Sebago Clubs, organized five years ago to carry over the spirit and many of the activities of camp life into the winter time in cities, have graduated from the experimental stage and become an institution. Starting in New Rochelle as a small, informal group of boys under the leadership of a couple of enthusiastic camp counselors, the idea migrated to St. Louis where it has grown into a well-organized unit of about a hundred boys and girls. They possess a woodland acreage of walnut, oak, elm, hickory and locust; two club houses,

one for boys and one for girls; animal house, tree house and rifle range. This is not the time to discuss the club activities. Suffice it that they are all very camp-like, even to the cooking of meals out-of-doors, and canoeing on the lagoons of Forest Park. The idea has begun to spread, and the progressive parents and educators of at least three other cities have asked to have units started for them. One such branch unit will be under way this winter. For the moment, just a few words about one of the foundation stones of the club's success.

Honors and awards at Sebago Clubs are in no sense prizes to be won competitively. They are recognition of individual achievement, symbols of the fact that a boy or girl has bettered his own or her own record. The progressive stages of bettering one's individual record are recognized by an appropriate symbol. There is practically no intrinsic value to such symbols.

A large archery target hangs upon the club house wall. When a boy or girl becomes a full member of the club, an arrow is presented bearing the recipient's name. This is now placed in the white outer circle of the target. The act of placing it there signifies that the new club member believes that he understands the purposes of our club life, the meaning of the sportsman's code of honor, and that he is ready to try to become a good citizen of the club community. A small arrow button is presented, to be worn or kept as a daily reminder of club citizenship.

As a member progresses in doing those things which a good sportsman does, and leaving undone those things which a good sportsman leaves undone, the arrow is moved, ring by ring, toward the golden center of the target. From white to black, blue, red, and into gold the member places the arrow at council fire. At this ceremonial time the director mentions some of the specific things that enter into the making of a good sportsman, some of the things which the boy or girl has done to earn the right to move the arrow along as a mark of progress, of accomplishment. The child mind is practical, eager for the concrete facts of life, wanting to know exactly why, when, how.

A. E. HAMILTON

AMONG THE SOUTHERN CAMPS

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built out in the mountains for overnight trips. These were fitted with bunks and cooking utensils.

Camp Parry-dise has been called "an island in the sky." This camp is located in the highest part of the Blue Ridge Mountains. From the lookout tower one can look into four states: North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Tennessee. The mountain, Little Sealy, on which the camp is located has an altitude of 4,400 feet. The top of this mountain is not bare,

rocky or covered with scraggly vegetation but presents an almost level top of about five acres, covered with a grove of white oak, chestnut, hickory, maple, black gum and other forest trees, interspersed with mountain laurel, rhododendron and azalea bushes. The camp buildings are located in this grove. The camp property comprises about one hundred acres, which is practically the entire mountain. The tennis courts, riding ring and swimming pool are on a high plateau a short way down from the top. The number of campers is limited to twenty-four and those activities are stressed which are in keeping with the rugged character of the surroundings and which give them the opportunity to explore and to become acquainted with a kind of life which has not previously entered into the experience of the majority of them.

One thing worth noting in reports received from the southern camps is the fact that each camp speaks with such pride of its staff of counselors.

THE EDITOR GOES VISITING

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planned, there was left undone at home a lot of things that had to be attended to, and so regretfully packed our duffle bag and started for the Berkshire Hills.

Enroute home, however, we took time to call on the Fagans at Treasure Hill, about seven miles from the Allen's camp. Philip Fagan and his wife, Jean, have restored an old Connecticut house and made it into a veritable treasure of comfort and hospitality. With accommodations for about fifty people and a boy's camp conducted in connection with the place, so that the parents can share with their children the summer vacation, the Fagans are working out a project that is full of promise. Each week-end some naturalist like Seton, Fisher, Medsger or Chubb visit Treasure Hill and programs are arranged for their guests. *The Latch String* is a newsy little paper sent out occasionally to their friends.

We reached home delighted with the trip and convinced that organized camping was destined to accomplish even greater things in the future than in the past, and our belief in the educational importance and the moral influence of camps more strengthened than ever before in our long contact with camps.

In the next issue we will tell you about another trip we took to the Lake Winnetoesaukee Camps.

HILLS

Here is a little gem written by Agathe Deming of Camp Mirimichi which will be enjoyed by lovers of the hills.

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Unknowingly you give
To me, fashioned of your dust,
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MAKING EFFECTIVE THE CODE OF ETHICS

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"The Golden Rule should cover this topic, and if every one would live the Code of Ethics it would become automatically effective. But it appears that the greatest deviation from the code is by those who are not connected with the Association, hence the first step should be to influence them toward membership."

Would a black list be advisable for camp directors, counselors and patrons who are delinquent and undesirable campers? Although taking it for granted that these groups would be small, it might be an aid to some of us and encourage others to carry out a portion of the code, thereby making the whole more effective. The fact of having a black list, although rarely used, might prove helpful.

The individual who probably unintentionally oversteps or breaks the code could be helped in a similar way to that found in automobile clubs which give assistance in various ways as: lower insurance, guide posts and signs, legal advice, etc. The more aid an individual receives from any organization, the more that individual will strive to uphold the Code of Ethics of that particular organization, hence the more the C.D.A. will aid its members the harder they will strive to make the code effective and the more others will strive to join this worthy organization.

Altruism is a strong factor and should prevail at all times. It is obvious that mutual interest will inspire coöperation, hence if these factors are honorably executed and sown as genuine seeds, there will be very little if any room for weeds and the Code of Ethics will thrive.

Mr. Leonard Mason says: "It is an excellent code as it stands, waiting to be lived up to by every camp director. As to making the code more effective, there are many aspects to consider and study.

"First, I would like to see all conscientious camp directors identified with the C.D.A., to get them to feel that they cannot afford, from a professional standpoint, not to be identified with it. There is much to get and much to give in this relationship. Most of us are busy but none of us too busy to fulfil a real obligation to the upbuilding of this profession which has become so great a factor in our educational system. So let us hold out every proper inducement to our fellow-directors to join with us for the general good of all. Certainly those groups of individuals who live up to a fine code of ethics have the growing confidence and respect of their fellow citizens.

Second, the public must be informed regarding the C. D. A. through some proper scheme of advertising, some means taken to win the confidence and support of the thinking public, parents, educators, etc. The Playground and Recreation Association of America has done considerable along this line; so have many other nationally known organizations and move-

ments. We would do well to study methods used by others along this line.

Third, we ourselves must live strictly up to our code. I see no excuse for any member who understands our Code of Ethics breaking the same either in spirit or deed. A clean record is worth more than temporary success and is the only foundation for permanent success. Living up to the code is our first duty as members of the C. D. A. and God bless those who have the ability and can take the time to bring up our organization in the way it should grow. But perhaps if everyone does just a little bit a great work may be accomplished."

Mr. James Kaiser considers the operation of the code from certain business viewpoints: Perhaps the best way to approach this problem would be to inquire into the ethics of other professions and businesses. Personally, I see no reproach or stigma in considering the operation of a summer camp as a business. Reproach and stigma might be directed to a camp if it were not conducted with as high ideals and as high a degree of efficiency as a well-conducted business. The keynote of modern business is service. As long as a full measure of service is rendered no stigma attaches to the taking of a profit. In fact the profits should be commensurate with the service.

Mr. Kaiser draws an analogy between the Code of Ethics and the code operating in insurance companies and finds the moral principal involved strikingly similar.

Professions where ethics are promulgated and enforced are medicine, law, accounting, the stock exchange, insurance agents, realtors and many others. In passing it might be interesting to comment on the ethics of the members of the stock exchange, where a slight nod of the head or the slight motion of a finger in the heat of frenzied trading means the acceptance of an offer to buy or sell stock amounting to tens or even hundreds of thousands of dollars. There is usually but the briefest of written memoranda to support the terms of the transaction.

You will notice, if there is any such thing as the more dignified or highly honored professions, that regulation of these professions is by themselves. Professional zeal and professional integrity seem to be the only essentials necessary for the enforcement of their code of ethics. The enforcement of the code of ethics of the camp directors should come under this head. It would be indeed a sad commentary if we, the camp directors who pride ourselves on high ideals, ethics and spirit of free play, which we strive to inculcate in our campers, are unable or unwilling to use these same ideals, ethics and spirit of fair play in our relations one with another and with our counselors and with our patrons. Then again, it would be doubly sad if we who pride ourselves on self-discipline and team work, which we are striving to develop in our campers, find ourselves unable to use the same spirit when it comes to enforcing ethics among ourselves.

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